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Senator Andres Ayala, Co-Chair Representative Selim Noujaim, Co-Chair Regulations Review Committee, Room 011 State Capitol Hartford, CT 06106

Re: Proposed Revision of sections 22a-66-1, 22a-66-5, 22a-66a-1, 22a-66z-1 and 23-61a-1 to 23-61a-7 inclusive of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies

Dear Senator Ayala and Representative Noujaim:

Pursuant to section 4-170 of the Connecticut General Statues, I re-submit for the Regulation Review Committee's consideration and approval the enclosed proposal to amend the above captioned sections of the Regulations of Connecticut State Agencies ("RCSA").

The Department of Energy and Environmental Protection ("Department") proposes changes to regulations regarding certification of pesticide applicators, notification of pesticide applications, licensing of arborists and issuance of aquatic pesticide permits. The proposed regulations add a new class of pesticide operators, standardize posting signs, allow for aquatic permit duration of up to three years, and update the arborist regulations to reflect statutory changes. The proposed regulations also make technical corrections to the language and format of the regulations for clarity and program consistency.

These regulations were rejected without prejudice on January 22, 2013. Corrections and modifications were made following the comments given by the Legislative Commissioner's Office. Specifically, in order to address the substantive concern, the sentence on page 5 that required instructions to pesticide operators to be kept as part of the business records under 22a-66g was changed to require such records to be kept by the commercial pesticide supervisor under 22a-58(d). The latter section does not have the specific requirements for records that the former section does. In addition the technical changes were made as requested by the LCO.

If you have any questions regarding this submittal, please contact Robert LaFrance, the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection's Legislative Liaison, at 860-424-3401 (office) or 860-622-1797 (cell). Thank you for your assistance with this matter.

Yours truly,

Macky McCleary Deputy Commissioner

cc: Robert LaFrance, CT DEEP Enclosures

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